

8. (Twice Amended) A dosage form according to claim 1 wherein the compressible filler component comprises [one or more of] microcrystalline cellulose, lactose, [and] mannitol or mixtures thereof.

9. (Twice Amended) A dosage form according to claim 1 wherein the disintegrant comprises [one or more of] croscarmellose sodium, [and] sodium starch glycolate or mixtures thereof.

11. (Amended) A method of preparing a solid non-effervescent dosage form of an ibuprofen medicament comprising the steps of:

mixing a carrier material with the ibuprofen medicament under dry conditions,  
wherein the carrier material comprises [The use of] an alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate, [in a carrier material including] a compressible filler component and [combined with] a disintegrating component[, said carrier material being arranged for admixture with an ibuprofen medicament under substantially dry conditions] to obtain a mixture and then

compressing said mixture [for compression] into a solid non-effervescent dosage form having a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15 Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes, wherein the ibuprofen medicament comprises at least 35% [or more] by weight of the dosage form[, the dosage form having a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15 Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes].

12. (Amended) The method [use] according to claim 11 wherein the ibuprofen medicament is in the form of the sodium salt.

13. (Twice Amended) The method [use] according to claim 11 wherein the carrier material is adapted for direct compression with the ibuprofen medicament into a tablet.

14. (Twice Amended) The method [use] according to claim 11 wherein the [solid dosage form comprises] ibuprofen medicament is the sodium salt of ibuprofen, [together with a carrier material comprising] the compressible filler component comprises microcrystalline cellulose and the alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate is sodium carbonate or bicarbonate.

15. (Twice Amended) The method [use] according to claim 11 wherein the carrier material comprises 45-60% microcrystalline cellulose by weight, 2-10% croscarmellose sodium by weight and 2-20% sodium carbonate or bicarbonate by weight.

Claim 20, line 6, after "mixture under", delete "substantially".

#### REMARKS

The amendments to the claims are supported by the specification at the 5th line from the bottom of page 14 to page 15, line 14.